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From: Yeh, Alice
Sent: Mon 7/14/2014 12:26:31 PM
Subject: RE: Participation on a panel

It might be easier to talk by phone, but I'm afraid I don't have your phone number - would you send that to me and I will call to discuss?

Alternatively, my number is 212-637-4427

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From: Judith S. Weis [mailto:jweis@andromeda.rutgers.edu]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2014 1:58 PM
To: Yeh, Alice
Subject: Re: Participation on a panel

Could you fill me in on a bit of detail about the CAD alternative that you did not choose - I assume it would have required dredging out a lot of sediments from Newark Bay to create a borrow pit. What would have been done with those sediments? I assume they are too contaminated for beneficial use projects. Where would the pit have been located vis a vis shipping channels? If you can provide me with more details and why you didn't choose this alternative I will be a better informed panelist.

Many thanks.
Judith

> I am helping the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) organize a
> forum on confined aquatic disposal (CAD) vs. off-site disposal for
> Passaic River dredged sediments. The forum will be on July 22, 2014
> at 9am-12pm (see attached flyer).
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> I am looking for experts to serve on the panel who can speak to the
> potential impacts of a CAD cell on the Newark Bay environment. Reyhan
> Mehran (NOAA) and Tim Kubiak (USFWS) recommended that I ask whether
> you would be willing to participate on the panel.
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> As you know, in April 2014, EPA issued a Proposed Plan for cleaning up
> the lower 8 miles of the Lower Passaic River. The Proposed Plan
> evaluates four options for the cleanup and describes EPA's preferred
> option, which is to cap the lower 8 miles with sand, with some
> dredging so that the cap does not cause additional flooding and to
> allow for the continued use of the federal navigation channel in the
> 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay. EPA is seeking public comment on the
> Proposed Plan until August 20, 2014. EPA is particularly interested in
> receiving comments on the pros and cons of a CAD in Newark Bay, and
> whether EPA should include CAD or off-site-disposal in its final
> cleanup plan. The purpose of this forum is to foster discussion on
> all sides of the issue, so as to allow people to submit informed written comments.
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> At the forum, the audience will submit questions in writing to a
> moderator, who will read them to the panel for response. You would
> have the option of making a 10-15 min presentation, or just responding
> to questions.

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> Please let me know if you would be interested in serving on the panel.
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> If you have any questions, please contact me at 212-637-4427 (or
> e-mail works!).
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> Alice Yeh
> Project Manager
> EPA
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